Mythbusting Christianity

Introduction

This zine in four chapters is intended for a USA audience to debunk specific

Christian teachings that go against facts of history. Intended as an introduction to concepts and timelines, I have not cited my sources to save needed space and kept the focus on brevity of text. I invite the reader to use the chapters given as a basis for their own personal studies.

I. **Myth:** The Bible is monotheistic. *False*.

A wide range of regional texts were edited and woven together into the Torah around 400 BCE. The mythologies pre-date writing and came from various oral traditions. Documentary Hypothesis places four main clusters of gods and cultures in the Bible as inherited story threads:

First thread, Elohim (the word Elohim

is plural thus a pantheon), create the universe from nothingness, the gods are abstract and non-human forces, written down 850 BCE (Genesis I) approximate region ancient Northern Israel.
Second thread, a singular god Yahweh (Yahwist, Jahwist) comes out of a larger prior pantheon (Genesis II) as an embodied and emotional god; the Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden story is the origin story for these texts 950 BCE, southern kingdom of Judah.
Third thread is another cluster of gods: El, El Shaddai, El Elyon, El Roi (patriarchal narratives of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob) originate from Canaanite nomads; in one passage the god El Elyon divides nations and the Canaanites and Hebrew separate their religions (Deuteronomy 32:8-9 “When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated

the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of children of Israel. For the Lord's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.")

Fourth thread is singular deity, The Priestly God written during or after the Babylonian exile 550 – 450 BCE, scholars debate the timeline. Cyrus the Great of Persia conquers Babylon, Judah had been conquered and held captive, then Cyrus the Great permits Jews to leave Babylon in 538 BCE. The Priestly God is a god of ritual, purity laws, sacrificial systems (Book of Leviticus) emphasizes order, holiness, correct worship, trying to preserve Jewish identity during disruption and exile.

Noting over the course of successive writing the goddess Asherah (El At) is erased from being a wife / consort of Yahweh and/or El and other gods are

passed from texts in favor of one powerful god to rally around.

"*That's why you get two creation stories, two flood timelines that contradict each other, and a god who seems to shift his personality despite supposedly being immutable. The Bible is a library with multiple communities, multiple traditions, in one compiled text. Despite popular belief, it is not a single book with a single author, it's not even a single unified theology. It's a conversation between communities across centuries about who god is.*" @egoeimi70x7 on TikTok

II. Myth: King James Version was the first translation of the Bible in English. *False.*

Here is a timeline of English translations, steeped in sectarian violence, book burning, arrests and executions:

1526 The Tyndale Bible, translator William Tyndale (Tyndall), England

1527 The Matthew Bible, translator John Rogers and associates under pseudonym Thomas Matthew, England

1529 The Great Bible, paid for and authorized by King Henry VIII, England

1560 The Geneva Bible, European continental Protestant, English Calvinist and Puritan origins

1568 The Bishops' Bible, translation Church of England (Anglican) & royally authorized

1582 The Douy-Rheims Bible, New Testament, translators University of Douy in France (Doui modern French,

Doway archaic English); Old Testament translations in two volumes followed in 1609 and 1610

1611 King James Version, commissioned and directed the Hampton Court Conference in 1604 by King James VI and I (monarch England and Ireland; Scotland) James Charles Stuart (1566-1625) was a censorship and control effort over a translation, with instructions of what to put in and to especially remove passages deemed to be anti-monarchist, carry any criticism of kings or negate beliefs in divine rule.

III. Myth: King James was a modest,

faithful Christian. *False.*

"A flaming homosexual, paranoid about witches, and a practicing demonologist" never gets taught in Sunday School for King James. He succeeded all three thrones of England, Ireland and Scotland through his mother Mary, Queen of Scots, his great-great-grandfather King Henry VIII and the successor after the reign of his cousin Elizabeth I. James repeatedly placed the monarchy as divine rule in his new authorized Bible translations and two books he wrote *The True Law of Free Monarchies* (1598) and *Basilikon Doron* (1599). If you want demons, divination, magic, and necromancy, then refer to his book *Daemonologie* (1597) where King James shares a tremendous amount of information on forbidden topics. The English court had a running history of

combined official Christianity and accepted occult practice they felt were not conflicts of interest going back to court astrologers and royal wizards, including Enochian Magic founders and alchemists John Dee and Edward Kelley under Queen Elizabeth I. Look back on any Protestant schism or "reformation" movement gives us the same thing: regional breaks from the centralized power structure and taxation of Roman Catholicism. They all accuse each other of heresy, enabling witches and being in league with Satan while using an inherently polytheistic scripture, incorporated Pagan beliefs, and differing magical practices. It all comes down to power and money with scripture as a mechanism of control. King James understood this very well. James inserted Bible text to not suffer a witch to live and that a man shall not lay

with a man while he juggled boyfriends and practiced occultism. Whatever James wanted to do was his right in his opinion, having written repeatedly that a king is above the laws of humans. Making a Bible that enforced he was a divine ruler was part of a larger strategy to consolidate power in a time following the Magna Carta.

IV. Myth: Christianity has a history of being separate from politics. *False.*

The Salem Witch Trials insanity and violent deaths that horrified earlier citizens of our nation taught the need for a separation of church and state, a lesson there have been endless efforts to erase. Contemporary documentation of extremism as a tool for social engineering people through

Christianity is easily found online. From1972 onward, medical abortion care was invented as wedge issue because enforcing racist segregation was losing votes, a new fiction of abortion as a sin was crafted which also succeeded in making Catholic and protestant denominations to vote Republican. Generation Joshua, a 2003 onward propaganda campaign, is a Christian fundamentalist ongoing effort to prompt parents to only home school their children and try to have a group that will enter government and politics to create a theocracy. Project 2025 extremism descends from decades of similar fascist wish lists by the Heritage Foundation, related organizations including Focus on the Family, and its ultra-wealthy members that view the public as cattle. The most interesting facet of these efforts started over a century ago in 1909 that first

gave us the words “Fundamentalist Christian”
as a concept.

Union Oil founder Lyman Stewart funded a propaganda campaign to align all USA and global English speaking Protestant denominations to be a political bloc. He held at least $50 Million in 1908 which would have made him a billionaire by today’s standards. From 1910 to 1915, over three million books of *The Fundamentals: A Testimony to the Truth* were mailed out as free lessons. *The Fundamentals* politicized faith through teaching essays. Lyman Stuart then founded the Bible Institute of Los Angeles in 1917 which took ownership of these books ongoing publishing; all have been reprinted in various volumes and collections since then. *The Fundamentals* defended Protestant

doctrines, attacked and denounced the following: Catholics, liberal theology, historical (higher) criticism of scripture (the Documetary Hypothesis, archaeology, etc.), modernism, Mormons (Church of Latter Day Saints), Charles Taze Russell (Millennial Dawn / Russellites / Jehovah's Witnesses), socialism, spirtualism, and evolution. If you have ever called yourself a "Fundamentalist Christian," that is an invention by a rich man who hand selected essay authors to gain political control over society. Toxic abuse of Christian articles of faith that reached a national audience often lead back to Lyman Stewart and *The Fundamentals*, Orange County in California as the western capital of the Ku Klux Klan, Dark Money funded PACs pretending to be grassroots movements such as Turning Point USA, and secretly funded fake

science organizations. *The Fundamentals* publishing became a concrete foundation for the tribalism, anti-science, and bigotry underpinning our present problems with white supremacist coalitions identifying as Christian always seeking to dominate social and political spheres.

Comparison of Creation Accounts		
	Genesis 1	Genesis 2
Duration of Creation	Six Days	One Day implied in Gen 2:4 *These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens. (ESV)*
Primordial Scenario	Dark, watery, chaos	An oasis amid desert
Sequence of Creation	1. Light 2. Firmament 3. Dry land 4. Plants 5. Lights in the sky 6. Sea and sky creatures 7. Land animals 8. Humans, male and female	1. Man (Adam) 2. Garden with trees and river 3. Land animals and birds as potential helpers to Adam 4. Women as the fitting helper
Method of Creation	God speaks, separates, names, blesses	God forms, breathes, plants, puts to sleep, builds
Portrait of God	Transcendent Sovereign over creation Some anthropomorphism God is called Elohim	Immanent Actively involved in creation Lots of anthropomorphism God is called Yahweh Elohim
Portrait of Humanity	Unspecified number of humans (*'adam*) both males (*zakar*) and females (*neqevah*)	One male (*'adam*) from the ground (*'adamah*) Then one woman (*'ishah*) from the man (*'ish*)
	Royals, created in divine image given dominion	Servants made caretakers

Chapter I: Genesis comparisons

Portraits of James and his most well-known favourites, left to right: James VI and I, Esmé Stewart, Robert Carr, George Villiers

Chapter III: A king and his boyfriends

© 2026 Lewis Book